# Indian Prairie Basin Surface Water Availability Approach

**South Florida Water Management District** 

**Water Resources Advisory Commission Meeting** 

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#### **Prior to the Water Rights Compact**

- Florida Water Resources Act of 1972 established a state permit system in lieu of the previous riparian system
- The Act did not take into account the Seminole Tribe of Florida's federal water rights
- Tribe sued the state for water rights in 1978
- Tribe, State, & District settled the litigation which provides in part for the Water Rights Compact
- Ratified by the U.S. Congress & Florida Legislature.
   Given the force and effect of both federal & state law

### **Water Rights Compact**

- Formalized the process for District input into the Tribe's management of water in a manner that respects the Tribe's sovereignty
- Creates system of regulation applicable to Tribe's Reservation & trust lands that protects the Tribe's water rights & is consistent with the essential terms & principles of Florida water law
- Establishes water rights entitlements for the Big Cypress and Brighton Reservations

### **Brighton Reservation Surface Water Entitlement**

- Compact entitles the Tribe to 15% of surface waters from the Indian Prairie Basin from specified canals
- Tribe entitled to fractional share of surface waters from Lake Okeechobee proportionate to the Reservation lands within the Lakeshore Perimeter Basin
- SFWMD maintains water levels in the C-40 and C-41 canals to deliver Brighton entitlement
- Sufficient volume of Lake Okeechobee water to be reserved & set aside to satisfy Brighton entitlement during water shortage

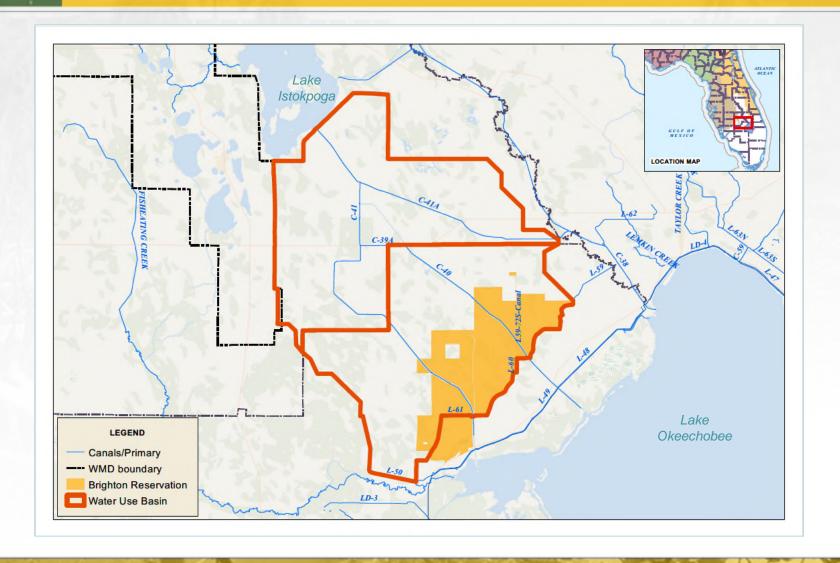
### **Brighton Reservation Surface Water Entitlement**

- 1988 Technical Report attempted to quantify Brighton's surface water entitlement, fulfilling one of the District's obligations under the Compact
- District agreed to take another look at the quantification of the entitlement
- Before the entitlement can be quantified, must:
  - Identify the total amount of water in District canals and borrow canals
  - Identify the volume of water that can be withdrawn by all surface water users

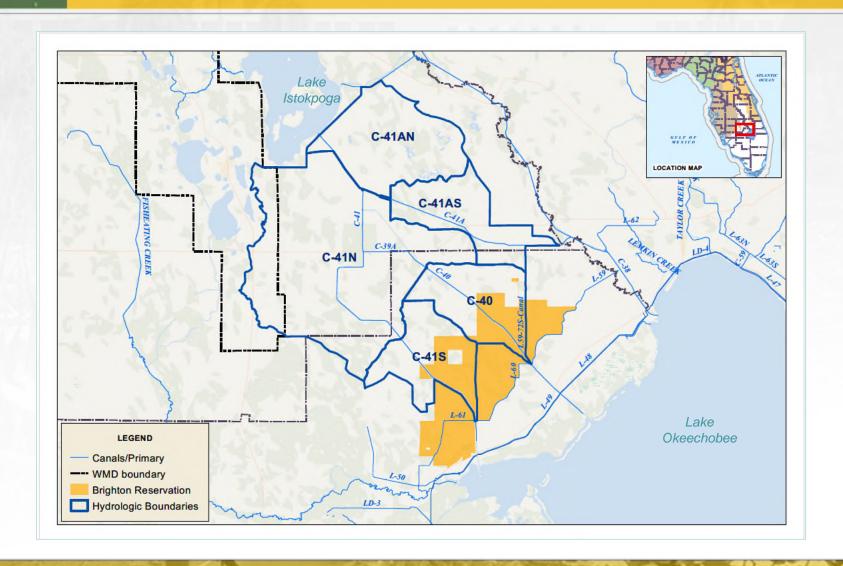
#### **Purpose of Presentation**

- Discuss the SFWMD approach to quantify the total amount of surface water in the District's canals & borrow canals in the Indian Prairie Basin
- Describe the tool developed by SFWMD to quantify monthly volumes of the components of the historical water budget for the Indian Prairie Basin canal system

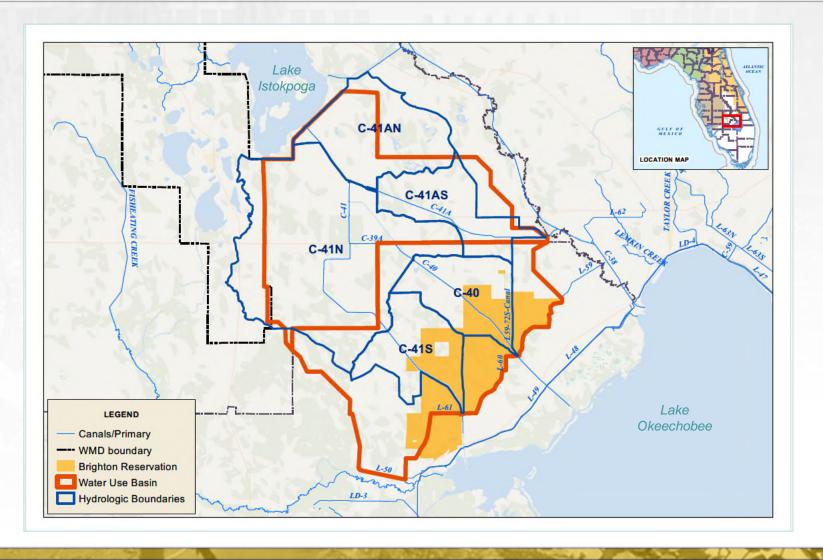
#### **Water Use Basin**



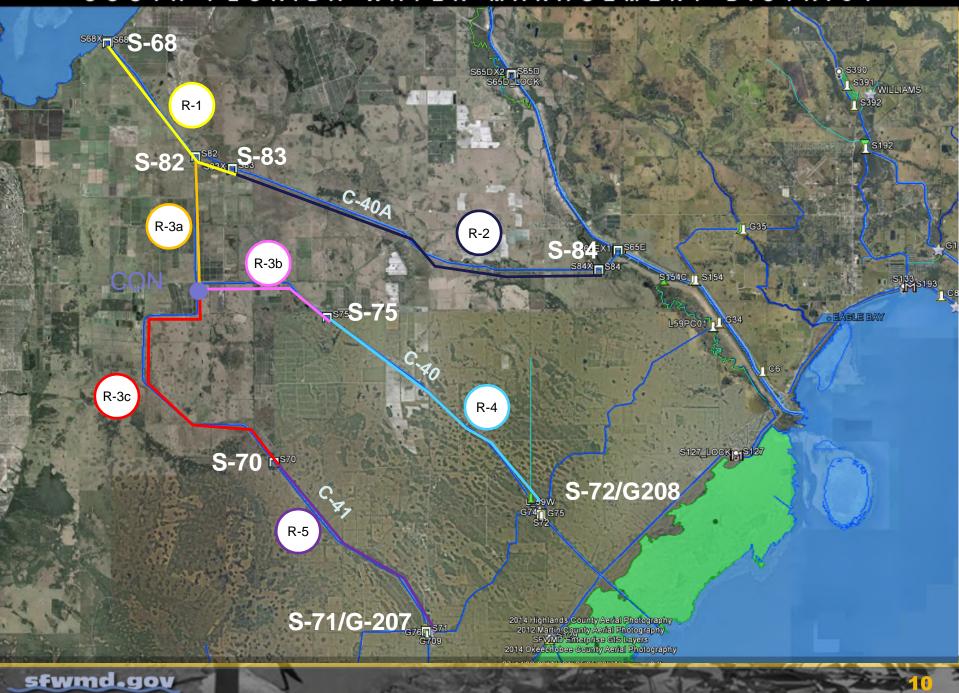
#### **Hydrologic Watersheds**



### Hydrologic Watersheds and Water Use Basin



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#### What is a Water Budget?



The water budget is the balance of the water that enters a closed system, such as rainfall and runoff, and the water that leaves, such as ET and consumption

#### Filling a bucket analogy

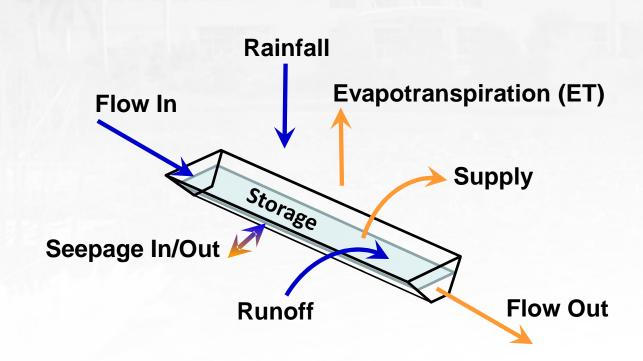
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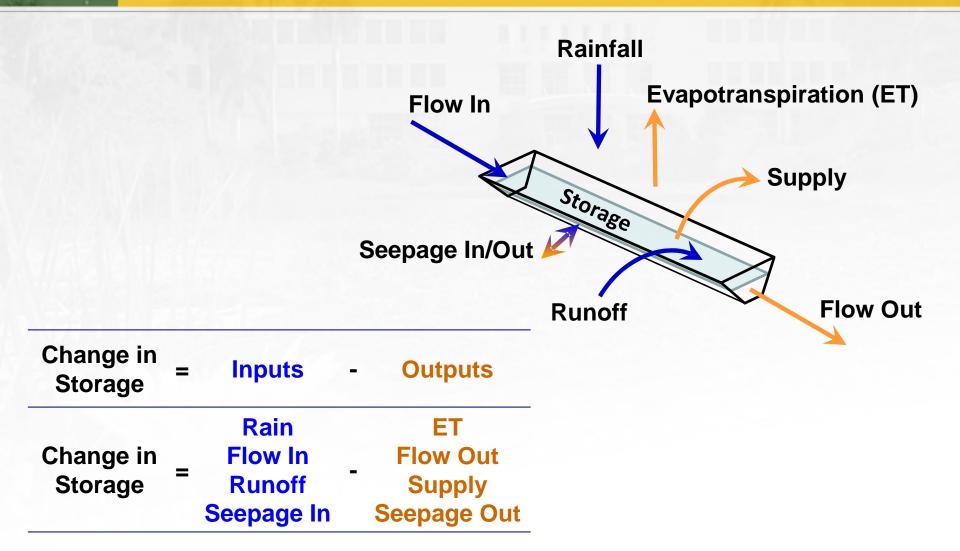
Storage rise



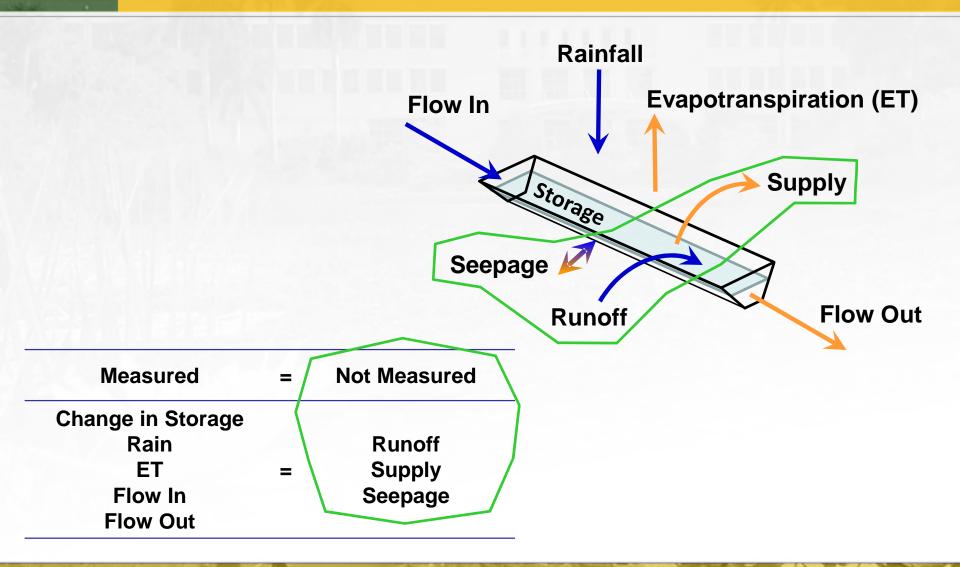
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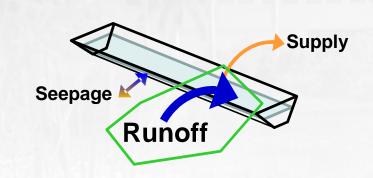
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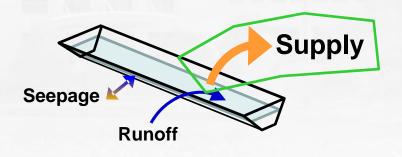


#### **Measured and Not Measured**



#### **Net Runoff and Net Supply**





Net	Runoff	Net Supply		
Runoff Supply Seepage	= Positive	Runoff Supply Seepage	= Negative	

### **Example of Net Runoff**

#### Net Runoff = (Runoff - Supply + Seepage) when positive

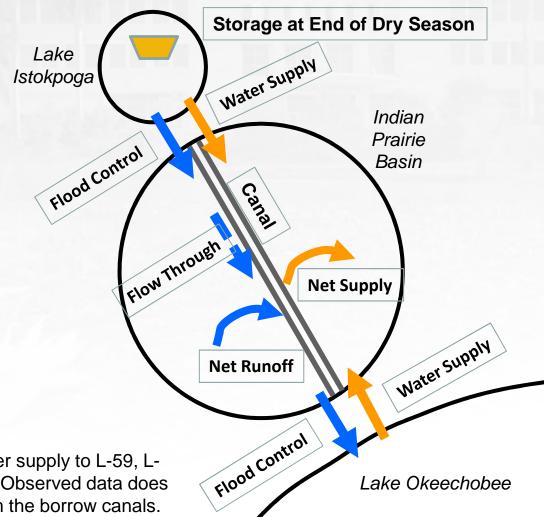
Date	Change in Storage	Rain	ET	Q <sub>in</sub>	<b>Q</b> <sub>out</sub>	Runoff - Supply + Seepage	Net Runoff	Net Supply
	ac-ft	inches	inches	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft
02Jun2010	-1.6	0.80	0.18	1,162.4	1,329.6	117.5	117.5	0.0
03Jun2010	119.6	0.26	0.22	1,419.6	2,109.1	806.6	806.6	0.0
04Jun2010	-3.9	0.02	0.20	1,461.3	2,104.7	653.8	653.8	0.0
05Jun2010	70.0	1.33	0.19	479.1	1,527.3	1,029.2	1,029.2	0.0
06Jun2010	-138.4	0.11	0.24	643.2	2,480.0	1,708.9	1,708.9	0.0
07Jun2010	79.5	0.29	0.23	1,164.4	2,513.3	1,424.2	1,424.2	0.0
08Jun2010	-229.4	0.00	0.26	409.0	1,172.9	554.4	554.4	0.0
09Jun2010	107.5	0.00	0.24	0.0	542.7	668.9	668.9	0.0
10Jun2010	-23.6	0.00	0.27	0.0	277.1	274.5	274.5	0.0

#### **Example of Net Supply**

#### Net Supply = (Runoff – Supply + Seepage) when negative

Date	Change in Storage	Rain	ET	Q <sub>in</sub>	Q <sub>out</sub>	Runoff - Supply + Seepage	Net Runoff	Net Supply
	ac-ft	inches	inches	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft	ac-ft
11May2010	19.9	0.0	0.26	153.6	0.0	-113.9	0.0	-113.9
12May2010	38.3	0.0	0.26	212.0	0.0	-153.7	0.0	-153.7
13May2010	-21.1	0.0	0.26	240.0	0.0	-241.3	0.0	-241.3
14May2010	-35.6	0.0	0.27	241.9	0.0	-256.3	0.0	-256.3
15May2010	67.0	0.0	0.25	318.3	0.0	-232.0	0.0	-232.0
16May2010	39.2	0.46	0.22	80.8	0.0	-60.7	0.0	-60.7

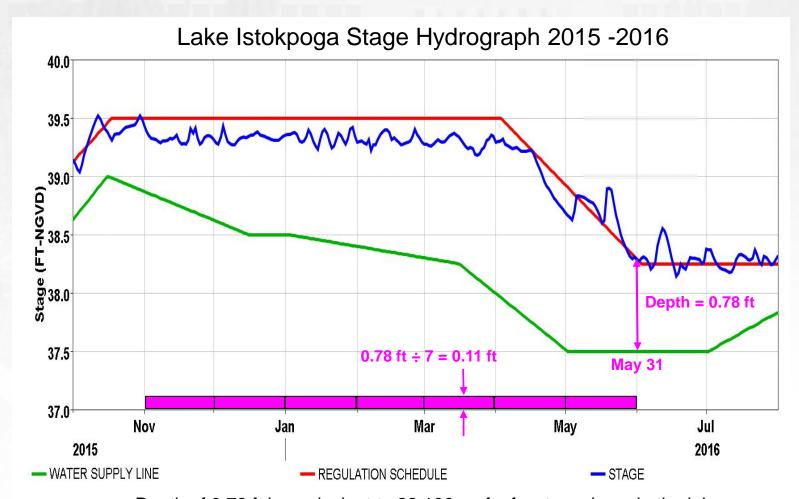
# **General Schematic: Indian Prairie Basin System**



#### Note:

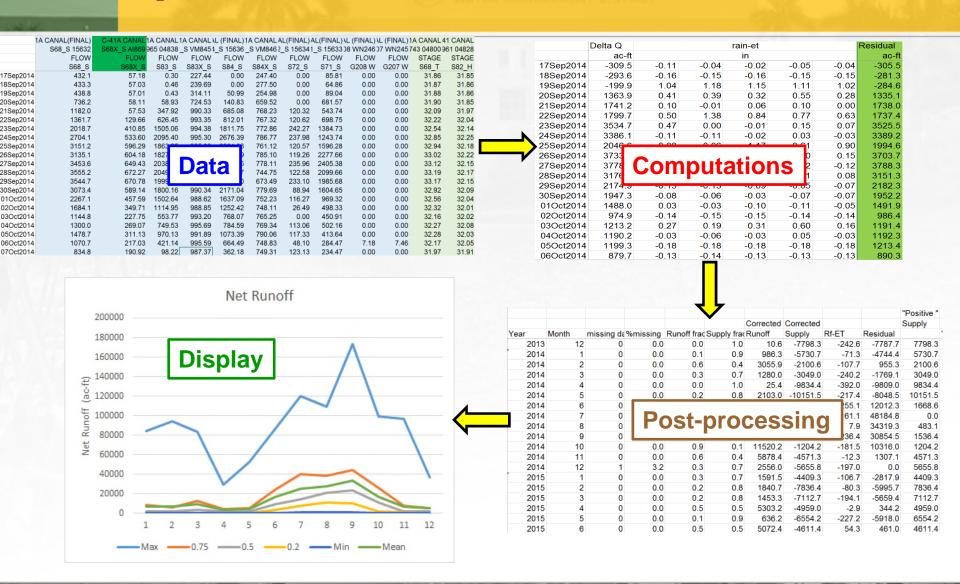
Observed data includes water supply to L-59, L-60, and L-61 borrow canals. Observed data does not include flood control from the borrow canals.

### Determine Storage at End of Dry Season



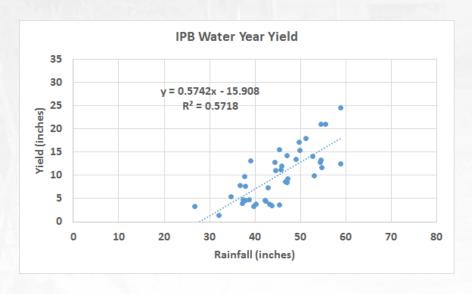
Depth of 0.78 ft is equivalent to 22,100 ac-ft of water volume in the lake

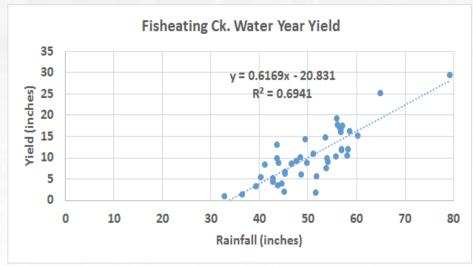
#### **Spreadsheet Tool**



### Validation of the Water Budget Tool

#### Rainfall-Yield Relationship

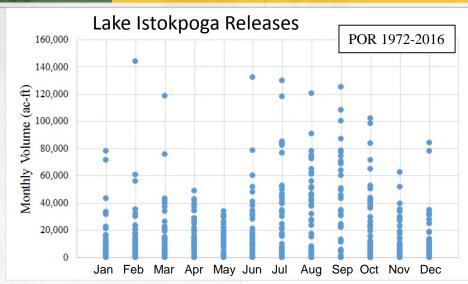


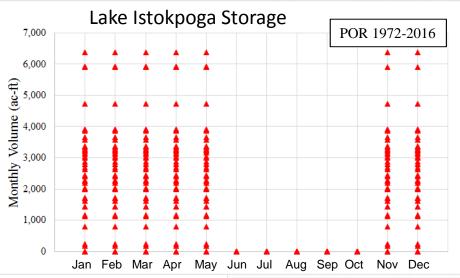


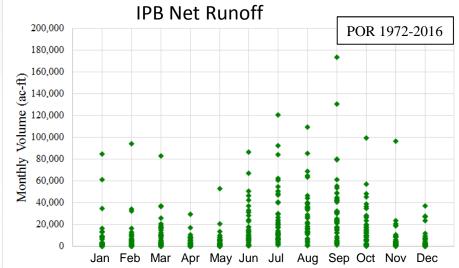
- Indian Prairie Basin
- Rainfall-Yield relationship derived using WBT net runoff

- Neighbor basin to IPB
- Rainfall-Yield relationship derived using USGS flows

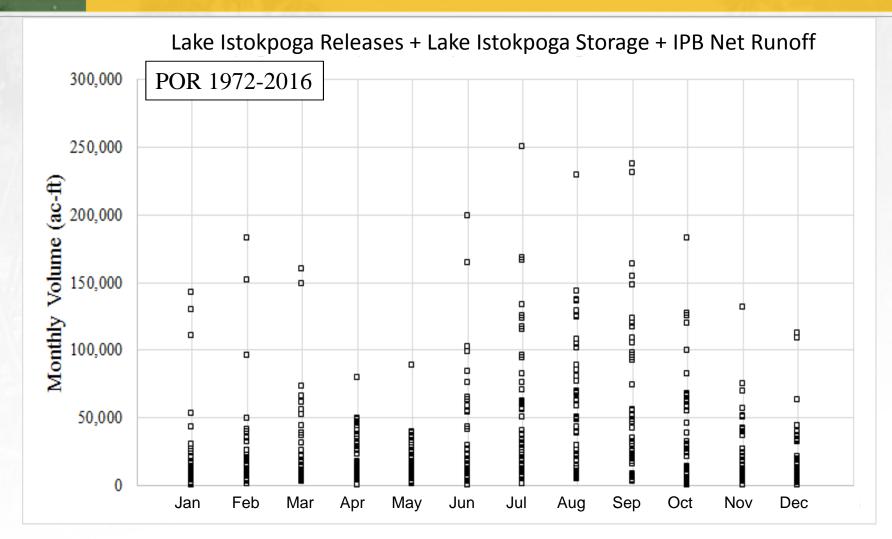
### Variability in Individual Water Budget Components



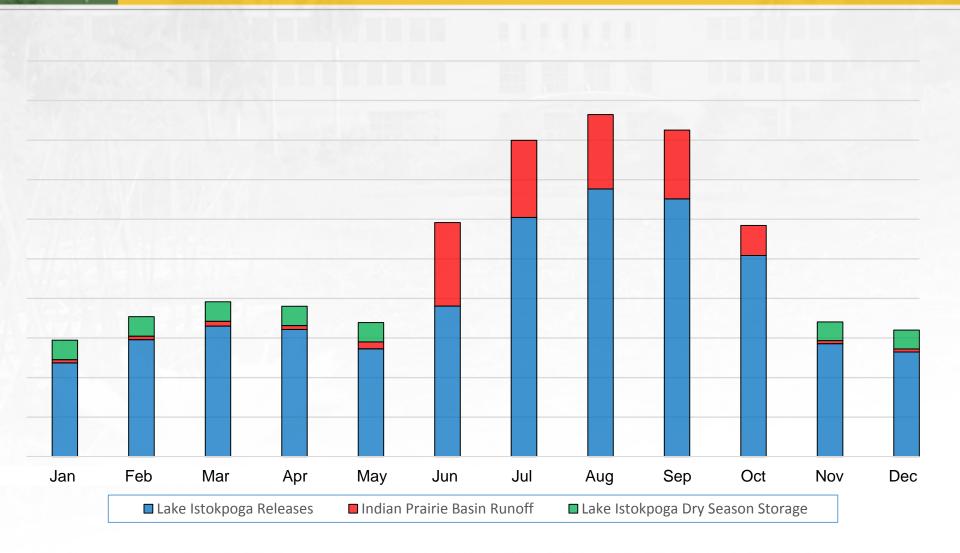




## Variability in Combined Water Budget Components



# Relative Volumes of Water Budget Components



### **Characteristics of 2016 Surface Water Quantification**

Water Budget Component	Characteristics			
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Indian Prairie Basin Runoff	<ul> <li>Five watersheds</li> <li>Water budget data 1972 to 2016</li> <li>Reflects changes in land use over time</li> </ul>			
Lake Istokpoga Storage	<ul> <li>Stage data 1972 to 2016</li> <li>Regulation schedules of 1974 and 1990</li> <li>Water supply line changed over time, 36.0 to 37.5 ft</li> </ul>			

## Differences Between 2016 Quantification and 1988 Report

Water Budget Component	Characte	Type of	
	2016	1988	Difference
Lake Istokpoga Releases	<ul> <li>S68 flow data 1972 to 2016</li> <li>S68X flow data 2009 to 2016</li> </ul>	S68 flow data 1964 to 1987	Data
Indian Prairie Basin Runoff	<ul> <li>Five watersheds</li> <li>Water budget data 1972 to 2016</li> <li>Reflects changes in land use over time</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Four watersheds, excluded C-41AS</li> <li>Rainfall-runoff calibrated 1976 to 1980, verified 1972 to 1975, simulated 1925 to 1987</li> <li>Land use 1977</li> </ul>	Data and Procedure
Lake Istokpoga Storage	<ul> <li>Stage data 1972 to 2016</li> <li>Regulation schedules of 1974 and 1990</li> <li>Water supply line changed over time, 36.0 to 37.5 ft</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Stage data 1972 to 1987</li> <li>Regulation schedule of 1974</li> <li>Water supply line 37.25 ft</li> </ul>	Data

#### **Next Steps**

- Finalize the tool and related documentation
- Subject to independent peer review
- Provide detailed information on the tool to interested stakeholders
- Apply the tool to the quantification of available surface water within the Indian Prairie Basin with Seminole Tribe of Florida and public engagement.

**Questions?** 

#### **Total Surface Water Available**

